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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

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Mr. PEFFER, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 1599.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 1599) granting a pension to Phœbe M. Woolley Palmeter, have examined the same and report:

The report of the Committee on Invalid Pensions of the House of Representatives hereto appended is adopted, and the passage of the bill is recommended.

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HOUSE REPORT.

The claimant is the daughter of Jonathan Woolley, who served for sixteen months as a private in Captain Capron's company of Vermont Volunteers in the war of the Revolution. The soldier was a pensioner at the time of his death, in 1845, and his widow, Anna Woolley, drew a pension up to about 1858, when she died.

It is shown by the testimony of J. L. Short, Edward R. D. Mayne, and Albert L. York, citizens of Madison County, N. Y., that the claimant is about 80 years old, very infirm, and entirely without property or income, she being entirely dependent upon others for support.

It further appears that her husband, Russell Palmeter, died in 1890, and that she has since remained his widow; also that she is a woman of excellent character and one who enjoys the respect of everyone who knows her.

There are several precedents for the allowance of pensions to the aged and destitute daughters of Revolutionary soldiers, and in view of the facts stated above the passage of the bill is respectfully recommended.

